



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

AND

THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION

The United States Army Corps of Engineers ("USACE"), and the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural organization, headquartered in Paris, France ("UNESCO"), hereinafter jointly referred to as "the Parties":

Having a common interest in flood control and water resources management;

Having independent missions to promote and enhance the use of effective flood control and water resources management policies throughout the world;

Desiring to promote and enhance public safety and community welfare by fostering research, development and the improvement of flood control and water resources management, and to promote, encourage and advance systems of safer, more economical, efficient and environmentally sound flood control and water resources management through research, development and cooperation in these fields; and

Recognizing the benefit to each party's flood control and water resources development mission through mutual cooperation and joint activities when consistent with the policies, goals and laws governing each party;

Do hereby simultaneously declare the following framework of partnership:

Article I

USACE and UNESCO will use their best efforts to explore opportunities for cooperation and partnership in the fields of flood control and water resources development. The Parties are especially interested in opportunities in the following areas of common interest:

- 1. Flood Control, Flood Plain Management and Water Resources in developing countries and countries in transition
- 2. Consensus Building

3. Capacity Building

4. Infrastructure Development

Article II

Each party shall designate a Principle Representative to serve as the primary point of contact between the parties on all matters arising under this Memorandum of Understanding.

Article III

Any cooperative activity undertaken between the parties shall only be done under the authority of the laws, regulations and policies governing each party individually.

Article IV

Not withstanding any other provision herein, nothing in this Memorandum of Understanding shall be construed as binding under International Law. Further, nothing in this document shall be construed as either authorizing or obligating either party to commit funds or resources to any project or work except as otherwise authorized by the laws, regulations and policies governing each party individually.

Article V

This Memorandum of Understanding shall become effective when signed by both USACE and UNESCO.

United States Army Corps of Engineers

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